Sirs, The merger of the "big four" phone companies...SBC/AT&t...VERIZON/MCI, puts a stop to competion, new developments and unreasonable high prices for phone service. Please don't let these mergers take place. The people who can afford it the least will surely suffer the most. Concerned and Tired of paying high prices, Herbert R. Compton, III 401 Rocklyn Ave. Baltimore, Maryland 21208